

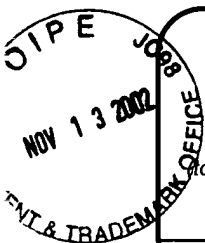
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For: A METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A METAL-OXIDE VARISTOR WITH  
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the office action issued September 13, 2002, please amend the above-  
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In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-4 without prejudice to their reentry and enter the following new  
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